Dashanpusaurus

Dashanpusaurus (meaning "Dashanpu lizard" after the township it was discovered in) is an extinct genus of sauropod dinosaur that lived during the middle of the Jurassic period. The dinosaur was described in 2005 by a group of Chinese paleontologists. The dinosaur's binomial name, *Dashanpusaurus dongi*, was named after a dinosaur expert of the Dashanpu area, Dong Zhiming.[1]

Dashanpusaurus was a herbivore and was quadrupedal, like most others in the Sauropoda. The *Dashanpusaurus* holotype, **ZDM 5028**, a partial skeleton lacking the skull, was unearthed in the Sichuan, China township of Dashanpu, in a Jurassic formation called the Shaximiao Formation. Dashanpu is only seven kilometres from Zigong, the city where the dinosaur's remains are being held. It consisted of many bone fragments and vertebrae, as well as a partial pelvis and other hind pieces. Other than the dinosaur's holotype, numerous other *Dashanpusaurus* specimens have been recovered from the area among which the paratype ZDM 5027, another partial skeleton.

Dashanpusaurus	
Temporal range: 165 Ma	
Pre€ € O S D C P T J K PgN	
Jurassic	
Scientific classification	
Kingdom:	Animalia
Phylum:	Chordata
Clade:	Dinosauria
Clade:	Saurischia
Suborder:	†Sauropodomorpha
Clade:	†Sauropoda
Clade:	†Camarasauridae
Genus:	†*Dashanpusaurus* Peng, Ye, Gao, Shu, & Jiang, 2005
Species:	†***D. dongi***
Binomial name	
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